14th December 1961]

Manavalakurichi Mineral Company

* 2355 I *Q*.—SRI T. S. RAMASWAMI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state—

(*a*) the amount of Royalty and the percentage received by the State Government from the Manavalakurichi Mineral Company Branch, since the company took over the concern from the State Government; and

(*b*) the profits obtained by the Government before it was handed over to the Company?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : (a) & (*b*) A statement[a] is placed on the table of the House.

Midday Meals Scheme (Submission of Report)

* 2355-J *Q*.—SRI T. L. SASIVARNA THEVAR, SRI S. M. ANNAMALAI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Assessment Committee on mid-day meals has submitted its report to the Government;

(*b*) if so, what are the recommendations; and

(*c*) the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : (*a*) Yes, Sir.

(*b*) & (*c*) The report of the Committee is under examination. However, it may be pointed out that the administration of the Midday Meals Scheme has been considerably tightened up in the context of the aid received from CARE organization. The circumstances under which the committee studied the question and prepared its report have therefore changed considerably.

Poultry-keeping

DEPUTY SPEAKER : As the hon. Member who gave notice of question No. 2355-K is not in his seat, the question and answer will be printed in the proceedings.

* 2355-*K* *Q*.—SRI M. S. SELVARAJAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state—

(*a*) how much has been set apart for poultry-keeping under the Third Plan;

(*b*) the amount of subsidy the Government are getting (1) from the Central Government from their own funds, (2) from Food Production Scheme, (3) from United Nations; and

(*c*) under what conditions the State Government could utilise the above said aids?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (*a*) Rs. 42·00 lakhs.

(*b*) Generally the Government of India offer a grant of 75 per cent of the non-recurring expenditure and 50 per cent of the recurring expenditure for the first year, 33-1/3 per cent for the second

a Printed as Appendix X on pages 872–873 infra.